

**Amendments to the Claims**

Please cancel claims 1-11 and 16-20 as indicated below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) A device comprising:

a processing unit; and

a persistent memory including a first key pair and at least one pseudonym for use

in communications with a remotely located device and in identifying that a platform

containing the device is secure, wherein the at least one pseudonym includes a second

key pair that is erased after a communication session with the remotely located device

has concluded.

13-14. (Cancelled)

15. (Original) The device of claim 12 further comprising:

a number generator to assist in producing the at least one pseudonym.

16-20. (Cancelled)

21. (Original) A method for utilizing a persistent memory of a device,

comprising:

storing in the persistent memory a first key pair; and

storing in the persistent memory at least one pseudonym for use in

communications with a remotely located device and in identifying that a platform

1 containing the device is secure, wherein the at least one pseudonym includes a second  
2 key pair that is erased after a communication session with the remotely located device  
3 has concluded.

4 22. (Original) The method of claim 21 further comprising:  
5 utilizing a number generator to assist in producing the at least one pseudonym.

6 23. (New) A machine accessible medium having associated instructions for  
7 utilizing a persistent memory of a device, the instructions, when accessed, result in one  
8 or more machines performing:

9 storing in the persistent memory a first key pair; and

10 storing in the persistent memory at least one pseudonym for use in  
11 communications with a remotely located device and in identifying that a platform  
12 containing the device is secure, wherein the at least one pseudonym includes a second  
13 key pair that is erased after a communication session with the remotely located device  
14 has concluded.

15 24. (New) The medium of claim 23, wherein the instructions include further  
16 instructions, which when accessed, result in the one or more machines performing:  
17 utilizing a number generator to assist in producing the at least one pseudonym.